

**REMARKS**

Claim 1 has been amended to distinguish over the cited art. Claim 10 was indicated to be allowable. Claim 24 corresponds in some respects to claim 10. Claim 9 has been amended in view of the objection to form.

Claim 1 now calls for a controller that enables the user to view through the optics element either a real time scene or the display. Thus, the user can watch events unfold real time through the optics element or upon selection, can view a replay of a previously stored sequence.

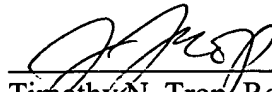
This feature is nowhere suggested in any of the cited references. Certainly the Sisselman and Bell references disclose no such thing and Weyer discloses two different viewing ports. One port, indicated at 410, is to view real time images and the other port, indicated at 210, is to view recorded images. Ota discloses two separate systems for viewing that are both always active, as well as can be determined.

Therefore, the claims as amended patentable distinguish over the art of record.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

8/29/03



\_\_\_\_\_  
Timothy N. Trop, Reg. No. 28,994  
TROP, PRUNER & HU, P.C.  
8554 Katy Freeway, Ste. 100  
Houston, TX 77024  
713/468-8880 [Phone]  
713/468-8883 [Fax]